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## **AMENDMENT ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION**

Mail Stop RCE Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

This Amendment accompanies a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and is responsive to the Final Office Action having a mailing date of January 31, 2006 ("Final Office Action"), with a three-month shortened statutory period for response set to expire on April 30, 2006. As said period has expired, accompanying this amendment and the RCE is a petition, under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, for a two-month extension of time and the necessary fee, as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(a). Please amend the above-identified Application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 4 of this paper.